## AMS AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES 2016-2017

(revised 10/6/16)

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Activities/Club	Description	Director	Meeting/Day/Time/Location
Art Club	If you are the kind of person who enjoys following your own visual art interests in sculpture, digital photography, drawing and painting, this is the place for you. We are also looking for students who believe that art can impact the community by creating collaborative themed pieces. Give visual art a voice!	Mrs. Olsen Mrs. Bernardoni	Tuesdays 2:30 – 3:30 Art Room 113 (Fall – Mrs. Olsen) Art Room 115 (Spring – Mrs. Bernardoni)
Audio Visual Club	Assist in setting up AV equipment for teachers. Learn about VCR's and DVD's	Mr. Firmes	During school hours
Child Care Club	The Red Cross Child Care course meets for a mandatory 6 one-hour lessons. The cost is \$10.00 payable to Amesbury Middle School.	Mrs. Cooney	(Start date TBA)
Communications Club	The communications club is a small group of students committed to producing the live morning school announcement program and the front main lobby PowerPoint screen display. Periodically, the club will travel to AHS after school to record AMS news segments and/or school public service announcements with the AHS audio video department. Students will learn how to handle and operate video recording and editing equipment. There will be group meeting times before school as well as some independent work such as news segment writing, videotaping and editing.	Mr. Queenan	Tuesdays 7:30 – 7:45 AM and/or Tuesdays 2:30 – 3:30 Room 208
Computer Club	AMS computer club students will have the opportunity to explore computers and software beyond classroom experiences. Some of the activities will include multimedia presentations, Web adventures, digital photography, producing and editing digital video and educational games.	Mr. Queenan	Wednesdays 2:30 – 3:30 Room 208
Destination Imagination	Are you a problem <u>SOLVER</u> ? Are you an inventor? Are you creative? Do you have great ideas and work well with others? Destination Imagination is the place for you to show off your skills! Work with a team of 5-7 other students on a challenge and present your solution at the tournament in March.	Mrs. Costello	Tuesdays 2:35 – 3:30 Room 204
Drama Club	The AMS Drama Club production has not been determined at this time. An informational meeting will be held on November 16 <sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m.	Mrs. Shirshac	TBA
Environmental Club	Are you interested in keeping our school environmentally friendly? Then the environmental club is for you. We will pick up recycling bins in the school and explore other possibilities to educate and contribute to making our school and community green.	Ms. Abramson	Tuesdays 2:30-3:00 Room 403
Game Club	This club provides an opportunity for students to meet together to play a variety of games including chess, checkers, stratego, cribbage, and backgammon. We are always looking for new Magic the Gathering players as well.	Mr. Bent Mr. Rinaldi	Tuesdays 2:30 – 3:30 Room 101 (depending on # of club members, Cafe)
Homework Club	Staff members help students with reading directions, problem solving, organizing their time and taking responsibility for their assignments. It is a time students can work quietly on class assignments and seek help when needed.	Ms. Mamakos Mrs. Wall Ms. Rose Mrs. Coco	Monday through Thursday 2:30 – 3:30 Library Sign up letter may be obtained from Mrs. Byman in the AMS Library

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<u>Intramurals</u>	Intramurals will begin in October and information will be sent home to explain what will be offered.	Mr. Flaherty	5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> – Mon. & Thurs. 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> – Tues. & Fri. Gym October - April
Jazz-Rock Band	Students will be selected to explore & perform the various styles of big band, jazz, rock, blues, swing and Dixie Land. The group meets on Fridays after school and attendance is required each week.  Membership is by audition only and is for grades 6-8.	Mr. Fijalkowski	Meeting date will be determined after auditions Band Room
Literary Magazine	Poets, writers, artists, or any students interested in the process of publishing a magazine may elect to become staff members of <i>Kaleidoscope</i> , AMS' own Literary Magazine. Activities involve writing and illustrating, communicating with student writers and artists, layout and creating the mock-up for publication.	Ms. O'Mullane	Wednesdays 2:30 - 3:30 Room 402
Math League	The Math Team will be preparing for Math League competitions against other schools in our region. Practices will be held on Thursdays. There will be five competitions throughout the year that are also held on Thursdays in place of practice	Mrs. Hill Mr. Rinaldi	Practices Thursdays 2:30-3:30 Room 308 Math Meets – once a month on a Thursday until 6 PM – Will be announced
Melody Club	Melody is a small audition-only vocal ensemble. Auditions are open to any AMS student with a passion for singing. No experience necessary! Try- out times will be posted and announced.	Mrs. Kimball	Thursdays 2:45 - 3:30 Performing Arts Room
Newspaper Club	Interested students will have the opportunity to write, edit, set up and conduct interviews. Come and work on your school's quarterly newspaper. Open to all grades and abilities.	Mrs. Costello	Mondays 2:30 – 3:30 Room 204
Peer Leaders	Peer Leader Club is looking for responsible, motivated and dedicated 7 & 8 grade students who would like to work together for the benefit of AMS and the community of Amesbury.	Miss Pizzi	Tuesdays 2:30 – 3:30 Conference Room
Student Council	AMS Student Council is a group of dedicated students who work hard yet have fun for the betterment of AMS. The Council is made up of elected representative from grades 5-8. Elections will be held in each homeroom.  *Note - If your child is elected you will be responsible for the activity fee. Please discuss this with your child before they put themselves up for nomination.	Mrs. Fijalkowski	Wednesdays 2:30-3:30 Room 206
<u>Yearbook</u>	The Yearbook staff consists of eighth grade students who vote on the theme, takes pictures throughout the school year of events, students, faculty, etc., and puts together the yearbook that is published in June. Yearbook is a full year commitment. Students must provide the following recommendations: self, parent, 2 teachers (one must be a 7th grade teacher) explaining how they will contribute to yearbook club.	Mrs. Costello Mr. Costello	(Start date TBA)